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FATAL COLLISION EAST BROADWAY BOULEVARD AND SOUTH ROSEMONT BOULEVARD

On December 6, 2011, at approximately 8:15 a.m., officers from the Tucson Police Department's Operations Division Midtown responded to a report of a collision involving a pedestrian at the intersection of East Broadway Boulevard and South Rosemont Boulevard. Officers found an adult female pedestrian suffering from serious, life-threatening injuries. She was transported to a local trauma center where she succumbed to her injuries approximately 35 minutes later. She has been identified as **36-year old Tina M. Rieger**, of Tucson. Next of kin have been notified.

Detectives from the Traffic Investigations Unit responded to the scene to continue the investigation. Detectives examined and collected roadway evidence and interviewed witnesses at the scene. Detectives have determined that the victim was walking northbound across the eastbound lanes of Broadway in the east side of Rosemont. She was in the crosswalk. The driver, 60-year old Frances Laurelez, was turning left onto eastbound Broadway from southbound Rosemont in a 2002 Chevrolet pickup truck and struck the victim while she was in the crosswalk. Laurelez and her three-year old passenger in her vehicle were uninjured.

Detectives have determined that there is no evidence that alcohol or excessive speed were factors in the collision. Laurelez was cited for **one count of Causing Death by a Moving Violation**, a misdemeanor, and field released at the scene.

Fatalities year to date:

For 2010 - 43

12 Pedestrian
3 Bicycle
8 Motorcycle

For 2011 - 44

15 Pedestrian
2 Bicycle
11 Motorcycle

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